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Letter dated 18 July 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On behalf of the Accountability, Coherence and Transparency Group (ACT Group),[1] I would like to warmly welcome the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2014/393) on the subsidiary bodies and emphasize the importance of the efforts of Argentina in chairing the Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions.

The ACT Group commends all members of the Working Group for their work leading to the adoption, on 5 June, of the note by the President (S/2014/393) on ensuring continuity in the work of the subsidiary bodies. Some of the points mentioned in the note are also part of priority measures advocated by the ACT Group regarding Security Council working methods. The ACT Group is pleased with the reiteration by Council members of their intention to encourage early appointment of Chairs of subsidiary bodies. The ACT Group also encourages the outgoing and incoming chairmanships to maintain informal exchanges, through written briefings and informal meetings.

Allow me to extend to the Chair of the Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions and to the members of the Working Group my sincere thanks for their work and efforts leading to the adoption of this important note and aiming at a more balanced, transparent, efficient and inclusive process of appointing the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies.

I ask you to kindly circulate the present letter to the members of the Security Council and to issue it as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) Paul **Seger**
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[1] The members of the ACT Group are Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Estonia, Finland, Gabon, Ghana, Hungary, Ireland, Jordan, Liechtenstein, Maldives, New Zealand, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Republic of Tanzania and Uruguay.

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